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National Park Service Selects DNC Parks & Resorts at Kings Canyon, Inc., to be New Concessioner at Kings Canyon National Park

SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARKS, CALIFORNIA--DNC Parks & Resorts at Kings Canyon, Inc., has been selected to be awarded a new 10-year concession contract to operate overnight accommodations, food and beverage, retail, and other services at Kings Canyon National Park (Grant Grove and Cedar Grove areas). The new contract resulted from a bidding process required by the 1998 Concessions Management Improvement Act, through which concession contract proposals for Kings Canyon National Park were solicited by the National Park Service from May 18 through August 22, 2012. The new concession contract at Kings Canyon National Park will take effect on November 1, 2013. Until then, Kings Canyon Park Services will continue to operate lodging, food and beverage, and retail services in the park.

DNC Parks & Resorts at Kings Canyon, Inc. is a subsidiary of the New York-based Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts, which has provided hospitality services for more than 70 years. Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts operates concessions within a variety of National Park Service sites, including Sequoia, Yosemite, Yellowstone and Grand Canyon national parks. DNC Parks & Resorts at Sequoia, Inc. currently holds a concession contract to operate the lodging, food and beverage, and retail operations in Sequoia National Park.

“We congratulate DNC Parks & Resorts at Kings Canyon, Inc. on their selection, and we look forward to partnering with them to provide memorable visitor experiences in Kings Canyon National Park, in addition to those provided by DNC at Sequoia National Park,” said Superintendent Karen Taylor-Goodrich. She added, “Concessioners fill a vital role in helping the National Park Service carry out its mission by operating publicly owned facilities and offering high-quality commercial visitor services.”

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For information about DNC Parks & Resorts at Kings Canyon, Inc., contact Paul Ratchford, regional general manager, at 559-692-8900. For more information about Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts, visit their website at www.ExperienceDNC.com.

For information about Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, visit www.nps.gov/SEKI or call the park at 559-565-3341.

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